

# REPEL THOSE H<sub>2</sub>O INVADERS

I'M SOAKED!  
I THOUGHT THIS  
C-COLD WEATHER  
GEAR WAS WATER  
R-REPELLENT!

YOU NEED  
TO RESTORE  
YOUR REPELLENCY.  
ONLY DUCKS HAVE  
BUILT-IN WATER  
PROOFING!

ONCE YOU HAVE  
THE REPELLENT, FOLLOW  
THESE EASY STEPS (OR THE  
MANUFACTURER'S LABEL) TO  
RESTORE WATER  
REPELLENCY.

THIS TREATMENT  
SHOULD LAST THROUGH  
THREE OR FOUR NORMAL  
WASHINGS.

If your post laundry does the work, no sweat. If it's up to you, and you can't get the repellent you need locally, see your supply sergeant. Units can order a case (24 eight-oz bottles) of repellent using NSN 8030-01-408-9446, through GSA or go directly to the manufacturer with an IMPAC card. Those suppliers and their product names include:

Evergreen Specialties, Inc. (Storm Shed),  
(800) 330-8760 or fax (800) 834-1809;

M&M Technologies, Inc. (Protex 2000),  
(800) 658-5958 or fax (302) 658-3734;

Caled Signal Chemical (X-Pel)  
(800) 652-2533 or fax (973) 696-4290.

1. Following the ECWCS care label instructions, run your clothing through the entire wash cycle and then run them through the rinse cycle again to make sure all soap residue is gone.

2. Next, set the water temperature to WARM and let the washing machine fill until all clothing is completely covered with water.

3. Add the recommended amount of repellent. If the directions are not clear, use 2 ounces for each jacket or pants and 3 ounces for jacket and pants.

4. Continue the wash cycle until the water drains. **Do not run the rinse cycle.** Rinsing removes the repellent.

5. Take the clothing from the washer and let it tumble dry at the highest heat recommended on the care label.

6. A light ironing helps improve repellency.

Normal washing removes the water repellency from your extended cold weather clothing system (ECWCS). When you're standing out in the cold is no time to find out that your clothing won't keep you dry. If you think your ECWCS has lost its water repellency, put that protection back in ASAP.